

Warren Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2012

Present: Kurt Jamiel, Butch Lombardi, Jane Harrison, Diane Warren, and David Weed

Absent: Helen Hawkinson, Bob Rutkiewicz

Chair: Kurt Jamiel

Next Meeting: April 16, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by Kurt Jamiel.

Kurt asked that the minutes for last month's meeting be corrected to indicate that the sentence about the Company Street Waterfront Overlook should read "who actually owns the property at the Overlook." A motion was made by Butch to accept the minutes of the February 22, 2012 meeting as corrected, seconded by Diane, and approved unanimously.

Budget report –

In Helen's absence, there was no report on the budget. It will continue to be submitted as outlined.

Correspondence –

Jane reported that the Eastern Rhode Island Conservation District sent us information on Canada goose abatement as well as a request for funding for the Eastern District (Bristol County). We also received a notice of a Land and Water Summit from the RI Association of Conservation Commissioners.

Old Business:

1. Earth Day 20th Celebration –

Bob requested that we give him a list of items to purchase at Sam's Club. Jane showed us the tee shirt design by Richard Kaiser, who did three designs for us. She requested 300 in multiple sizes. It would be great to get the newspaper to do an article on the shirts. She will email the poster. Butch will contact Al Galinelli about latex gloves. The Grange will provide the grill. Diane will call Mrs. Morrow to see about handing out certificates to the children. John will give us bags. Jane will do the sign-in sheets and will look for used gloves from the Touisset Fire Station. Jane moved that we spend \$100 on gloves, Butch seconded, and all agreed, with Helen tasked the purchase. We'll ask Bob to get there at 7:30 a.m. to open up. We'll have Peter do the music. We'll invite the local CSAs and any other groups that might have an interest to join us for the morning. Joey will come to sign people up for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

2. Beautification:

Route 114 Entrance - Nothing new to report

Memorial Tree at Town Beach – Bob was not present to report.

Fatima Drive Park – The issue will not be discussed until later in the spring.

Company Street Waterfront Overlook – Kurt is working with Caroline to indicate who actually owns the property; otherwise nothing new.

3. Storm water basins –

Butch raised the question as to whether we would be invading private property to test the retention/detention water. Butch hasn't looked at any new ones to determine who should be maintaining the retention ponds in that area. It was agreed that we need to clarify the ownership of a number of these. It was suggested that we could approach the tax assessor to determine ownership.

4. Wrightman's Farm – Noting to report.

5. Old Warren Marina

Kurt had no updates

6. Libby Lane

Nothing to report.

7. Placement of the osprey pole

Butch reported that the osprey pole is up, so we now have four. He is considering doing another two at Nunes Farm, possibly with some

help from an Eagle Scout or the guys that he worked with. Jane will do the paper work for the permit with DEM.

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New Business: None

Commissioners' Concerns: None

Diane moved, and Butch seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m., and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

David S. Weed, Secretary